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SENATE.

It was agreed that when the Senate adjourns to-day it will be till Monday next, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Caperton, of West Virginia, whose funeral takes place to-day, also to resume the impeachment trial on Monday at noon.

Pension to Custer's Family.

Mr. INGALLS, from the Committee on Pensions, reported with amendments the House bill granting a pension to the widow of the late General Custer, and to his father and mother. Placed on the calendar. The amendments reduce the pension to the widow from fifty to thirty dollars per month, and strike out the name of the father, so as to grant pensions to the widow and mother only.

The Steamboat Bill.

Mr. BOUTWELL, from the Committee on Commerce, reported with amendments the Steamboat bill. Placed on the calendar.

Chinese Immigration.

The appropriation for the commission to inquire into Chinese immigration was passed.

Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, from the Conference Committee on the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, reported that the committee had been unable to agree, and moved that the Senate further insist upon its amendments and agree to further conferences.

Mr. HAMLIN said there had already been three conferences on this bill, and asked: Should this bill, time after time, go to a conference headed by two men who might be denominated Titus Oates and William Redlos of to-day? He did not see why the Senate should not adhere to its amendments, and let this enmity die the death of the unrighteous, and thus let the House understand what the Senate would do. If the bill came back from another conference, he gave notice that he would make a motion that the Senate adhere to its amendments.

After a long debate a new conference was agreed to.

The River and Harbor Appropriation Bill

was then taken up and recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions to report a bill so that the total amount appropriate shall not exceed $5,000,000.

Bills Passed.

Amendments of the House to the bill providing for the completion of the Washington monument were agreed to and the bill passed.

The Senate bill for the relief of Wm. C. Nichols, late Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Chicago, was taken up and passed.

Osage Ceded Lands.

Mr. INGALLS called up the House bill for the sale of Osage ceded lands in Kansas to actual settlers.

Mr. LOGAN moved to lay the bill aside and take up the House bill for the equalization of bounties of soldiers who served in the late war for the Union. Rejected—20 to 27.

The Senate then proceeded with the consideration of the bill in regard to Osage ceded lands, the pending question being on the motion of Mr. Edmunds to strike out the eighth section, which provides for the payment by the United States of the costs and necessary expenses incurred in prosecuting two suits against the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston Railroad Company and the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad Company to test the validity of the title to a portion of the lands claimed by these companies.

Mr. WRIGHT submitted a substitute for the eighth section, so as to provide only for the payment of fees for attorneys retained by the settlers in the States against the railroad companies.

Mr. ALLISON moved an amendment to the substitute so as to provide that the balance of the proceeds of the sale of land after the payment of attorney's fees shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States, to the credit of the Indian Civilization fund authorized by treaty with the Osage Indians.

Pending the discussion Mr. ALLISON, from the Conference Committee on the Military Academy Appropriation bill, made a report. Ordered printed and laid over till Monday.

Mr. THURMAN gave notice that at the earliest opportunity he would ask the Senate to take up and consider the motion submitted by him sometime since to reconsider the vote by which the bill in reference to counting the vote for President and Vice President was passed.

The Senate then resumed consideration of the bill in regard to the sale of Osage Indian lands, and the amendment of Mr. Allison in regard to covering the proceeds of the sale into the Treasury, &c., was agreed to, as also the substitute of Mr. Wright for the eighth section in regard to the payment of attorney's fees.

The question then recurred on the motion of Mr. EDMUNDS to strike out the eighth section of the bill, as perfected by Messrs. Wright and Allison, and it was agreed to —yeas 29, nays 11.

Mr. INGALLS moved to amend so as to provide that the price of land shall be $1.25 per acre, instead of $1.40. Agreed to.

Pending the discussion the Senate adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.

Contested Election.

After the reading of the journal consideration of the Virginia contested election case of Platt vs. Goode was continued. The discussion was continued until two o'clock, when a vote was taken on the resolution reported by the minority, that Goode, the sitting member, was entitled to a seat. Adopted—yeas 105, nays 99.

The second vote required by parliamentary laws) on agreeing to the resolution as amended (that is by the substitution of the minority resolution for it) was taken, and resulted yeas 105, nays 97. So Goode retains his seat. Among the Democrats who voted "no" were Messrs. Durand, Ely, Holman, Kehr, Newl and Wilshire. Several other Democrats voted "no" on the first vote.

Mr. Abbott, who was sometime since declared entitled to the seat then held by Frost, came forward, was sworn in, and took his seat as a member.

An Army Deserter.

On motion of Mr. BANNING the bill to remove the charge of desertion from Nelson Tiffany, of the Twenty-fifth Massachusetts Volunteers, was taken up and passed, notwithstanding the President's veto.

Military Academy.

Mr. RANDALL, from the Conference Committee on the Military Academy bill, submitted a report of the committee on said bill, which was adopted.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the reports of the Committee on Naval Affairs. After a speech by Mr. Lewis in support of the majority report, the matter went over without action, and the House adjourned.

THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

Arkansas Republicans.

LITTLE ROCK, July 28.—The Republican State Convention adjourned to-day. The following are the nominations for State officers: Governor, A. W. Bishop; Secretary of State, W. L. Copeland, colored; Treasurer, A. A. C. Rogers; Auditor, J. R. Berry; Attorney General, H. A. Pierce; Land Commissioner, R. W. McDonald; School Superintendent, J. C. Corbin, colored; Chancellor, Lafayette Gregg; Chancery Clerk, J. T. White, colored.

The resolutions adopted endorse the National Republican ticket, the one term principle and civil service reform recommended by Gov. Hayes; declares the Republican party, in elevating to citizens the colored race, entitled to continued confidence; demands civil and political recognition of all men; proclaims that the present party now administering the State Government is without a platform or financial or governmental policy, and their tendency reactionary; opposes repudiation of any indebtedness found to have been legally contracted; favors free schools, and a reduction of taxes.

A resolution was also adopted inviting the co-operation of Liberal Democrats.

The State Central Committee was authorized to confer with the State Convention which meets on the 9th of August, and see if there cannot be an adjustment of the differences between the two wings of the Republican party in this State. An electoral ticket was also nominated.

The New York Manufacturing Confectioners.

NEW YORK, July 28.—The manufacturing confectioners, at their next meeting, will consider resolutions which set forth that their object is to establish a combination in trade, and to have a regular form of credit, to put on the market nothing but pure goods, containing no poisonous color, and to protect each other in designs; also to secure uniformity in regard to charges for cases, and that the charges should not be more than two per cent. of the amount of the invoice.

NEWS FROM FOREIGN LANDS.

Australian Mail Service.

SYDNEY, June 30.—The S. S. Zealandia arrived on the 21st inst. and delivered her mails two days and six hours ahead of those via Sorres Straits, which left London seven days ahead. A proposal to do away with the New Zealand postal service is now before the Government, and if acquiesced in will admit the California line being worked easily with three steamers, instead of five.

Mutiny at Sea.

QUEENSLAND.—During the passage of the emigrant ship Windsor Castle from London the starboard watch showed signs of mutinous conduct by forcibly rescuing a sailor from irons. The captain obtained the assistance of fifty immigrants, and arming them, headed by the mates, demanded possession of the prisoner, which was granted. During the melee two of the mates and the carpenter were wounded.

Fenian Agents.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—Two passengers arrived by the Sumatia, supposed to be Fenian agents from England, and suspected of being concerned in the late escape of convicts from Western Australia in a whaling vessel. The police are keeping them under surveillance.

Centennial Celebration.

HONOLULU.—The Centennial anniversary of American independence was enthusiastically celebrated by the Americans and foreigners.

Chinese Immigration.

It is evident from debates that members of the Assembly are adverse to Chinese immigration. It will be difficult for the Ministry to obtain appropriations for the encouragement of agricultural immigration even sufficient to meet the obligations entered into during the past fiscal period. If the money is not forthcoming undesirable complications with foreign Governments will be the result.

Servian Complications.

SEMLIN, July 28.—The general political position of Servia is growing more serious, and the partisans of Karageorgevitch have become more threatening every day.

Arms for Servia.

Sixty thousand Chassepot rifles, sold by Germany, have arrived in Servia by way of Roumania.

A Plan to Settle the War.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 28.—General Ignatieff recently expressed the opinion that an armistice was inevitable within three or four weeks, and would probably be brought about by the united action of six powers. He thought the present difficulties would be arranged by partitioning Bosnia between Austria and Servia, and giving Montenegro to Herzegovina.

Regent of Turkey.

VIENNA, July 28.—The *Tagblatt* says Abdul Hamid Effendi, a young brother of Murad Effendi, is regent of the Turkish Empire.

Discomfiture at the Russian Court.

BERLIN, July 28.—The defeat of Montenegrins occasions discomfiture at the Russian Court, where Prince Nichols has been on ostentatiously patent. Some Russian diplomatists assert that it will be impossible for the Czar to repress the war spirit in Russia if the Turks invade Servia. This probably accounts for the hesitation of the Turks.

A Council of War.

PARAKIN, July 28.—Prince Milan holds a council of war to-day. His forces are concentrating at Sienitza, where a decisive battle is expected.

Ex-Queen Isabella.

PARIS, July 28.—Ex-Queen Isabella and family leave to-day for Spain. The Spanish Ambassador will accompany them to St. Jean de Luz.

The Revolution in Cuba.

HAVANA, via KEY WEST, July 28.—On the 21st inst., at midnight, a party of insurgents, numbering about 300, supposed to be headed by Chief Inglesito, entered the town of Sumatia, and succeeded in sacking two large provision stores and setting fire to them. The insurgents were repulsed by the Spanish troops, leaving seven killed. The troops had six killed and seven wounded.

THE CROP PROSPECT.

Reports from Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Illinois—Wheat an Average in Quantity and Superior in Quality—Corn Promising a Large Yield—The Oats Crop a Failure—Other Crops Very Good.

TOLEDO, July 28.—The *Blade* this afternoon publishes its usual midsummer crop report, embracing reports from one hundred and seventy-three places in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Illinois. These show that the wheat crop in nearly all wheat producing districts is nearly up to the average in quantity, while the quality is superior to that of any former years. Spring wheat in Illinois has generally done very badly. The best reports for winter wheat come from Michigan, where the harvest has been specially good.

The corn crop promises very well. Everywhere the acreage is much larger than ever before, and though farmers were much discouraged early in the season by continued wet weather, which prevented working, and drowned out corn in many places, they believe now that the crop will be enormous, unless interfered with by frost.

The oats crop in Illinois, Indiana and part of Michigan is nearly a total failure, while that grown in Ohio is of the finest quality. In Southeastern Michigan and Northwestern Ohio the crop is unusually good.

The rye and barley crops are all up to the average.

A large quantity of flax-seed was sowed in some parts of Indiana and Illinois, and has done well.

There were less potatoes planted than last year, but the crop will be enormous.

Hay, except in some parts of Michigan, where rain interfered with its cutting and curing, has produced far beyond the crop of any previous year. The quality is very good, and it has been well taken care of.

The apple crop is very abundant everywhere. Only a partial crop of peaches will ripen. Grapes are wonderfully abundant in the lake region, and promise to ripen well. Taken altogether, the farm products will exceed those of last year from thirty to sixty per cent.

THE INDIAN WAR.

Reported Defeat of Gen. Crook by the Sioux.

ST. LOUIS, July 28.—The *Globe Democrat* has a special from Leavenworth, which gives what seems to be an exaggerated account of Gen. Crook's battle with the Sioux. A Goose Creek dispatch says A. F. Fray, post sutler at Camp Sheridan, arrived at Sidney, Nebraska, and reported the arrival at Camp Sheridan last Wednesday of Lamb Dorr, a friendly chief, who brought information that Gen. Crook suffered a terrible defeat at the hands of the Sioux on Goose creek, but the date of the battle is not mentioned. The account states that Crook lost nearly three hundred soldiers, and was driven across the creek under a terrible fire, and that the fight was more of a slaughter than a battle. It is further stated that the Indians are greatly elated over the victory and intend, after driving the miners from the Black Hills, to clean out all agencies in the northern country and all stations along the Pacific road. The account states Crook lost nearly three hundred soldiers, and was driven across the creek under a terrible fire, and that the fight was more of a slaughter than a battle. It is further stated that the Indians are greatly elated over the victory and intend, after driving the miners from the Black Hills, to clean out all agencies in the northern country and all stations along the Pacific road. The account states that

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SATURDAY, JULY 29, 1876.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT,

RUTHERFORD B. HAYES,

OF OHIO.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,

WILLIAM A. WHEELER,

OF NEW YORK.

PETROLEUM at Antwerp 36f.

BONDS at Frankfort, new 5s, 102¾.

GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 113@113¼.

IF our people wish for relief from discriminations, why do they not subscribe to the stock of the Nortwestern railroad?

IT is now reported that SITTING BULL has six thousand Indians with him, and that he has escaped to the mountains.

SENATOR CAPERTON, of West Virginia, whose death caused the adjournment of the Senate, was a member of the confederate Senate.

THE Ninth reserves held a reunion at Beaver, yesterday, and a it was grand occasion. These meetings of the boys in blue are usually delightful and interesting events.

THERE is already a cry of foul play against the judges at the Philadelphia Exposition. The manufacturer of the SCHUMACKER pianos declares that one judge is prejudiced. This merely opens the ball.

SHOULD the Roumanians be drawn into the contest, along with Servia, they would bring an available addition to the Servian forces. She has an army of 25,000 men massed on her frontier, and there is, apparently, a certainty of a battle with the Turkish forces.

SAM. CARY, in Ohio, has gravitated into a full blown communist, and recently inspired, by one of his inflammatory addresses, a number of workmen to go to the Mayor of Cincinnati, crying "bread or blood." SAMUEL is always in favor of moving things, but unfortunately not in the right direction.

THE attendance at the Centennial is reported to be much improved, but not large enough to give prospect or any material addition to the net amount of funds in the hands of the commissioners. It is very probable that as a financial venture, the exposition will prove a failure; but as a gathering and display of very excellent goods, it is a grand success. It is worthy a financial triumph, and it would gratify the country could it be secured.

THE New York *Herald* still lovingly inquires why Mr. TILDEN does not write that letter of acceptance. It has been suggested that he is busy in Albany cutting down taxes and things, and punishing the Canal Ring robbers. But when he gets to Long Branch, and hears what the wild waves say, he will suddenly be all right. We suggest that Congress will have adjourned about that time, and TILDEN will have no fears of that frisky body interfering with his statesmanlike utterances.

THE Eastern outlook does not become more cheering with the lapse of time. The Servians are importing Chassepot rifles, and are evidently preparing for the last great struggle. There are rumors that the real spirit in Russia will not submit to the invasion of Servia by the Turks, and that the knowledge that the Russians are likely to interfere holds the Turks in check. In the meantime the Sultan of Turkey is overcome by the troubles that has befallen him, and his brother is Regent, and likely soon to be Sultan. Such are the latest prospects.

THE allusion in Mr. WHEELER'S letter to the School question, was in relation to the improvement of the condition of the South. While advocating forbearance toward the South he mentions that the true remedy for the evils existing there will be the dissemination of education. He remarks, "the fact that there are whole counties in Louisiana, in which there is not a solitary school house, is full of suggestion." This is an important phase of a question that must be met very soon. The condition of the South, and its improvement, demands the highest statesmanship that can be given. And he is the true friend of the Southern people, who proposes education as the solution of their troubles.

WE judge the New York *Times* will be called to account, for it publishes some racy correspondence, illustrative of the greatness of our friend, SAMUEL J. TILDEN, as a railroad lawyer. The narrative refers to what is known as the Harlem Extension Railroad, for the building of which the town of New Lebanon was bonded to one-fifth its taxable value. As showing how a great lawyer does such things, it may be stated that as the people would not vote the bonds, a law was passed allowing them to acknowledge the obligation, and by flaming promises of interest, indemnity, and the like, acknowledgments were obtained by the TILDENS in person. Of course, the bonds were sold, but the interest, indemnity, and the like, were never paid, and the gullible Lebanonites now pay heavy taxes annually on those very bonds. Worst of all, SAMUEL J. has the bonds, and annually pockets this interest. The question among the Lebanonites is, just how many votes they shall give their great railroad lawyer for the Presidency.

CARL SCHURZ stands before the country as a brilliant thinker, and a high and pure minded man, as regards political affairs. In his letter to the New York *Staats Zeitung* he has drawn the portraiture of the two political parties, as to their aims and purposes, with absolute and critical fidelity. TILDEN receives all the credit he deserves, as being a reformer in his purposes, while his party is credited with being against reform. The result will be, he thinks, the turning out of the good and bad from office, and the substituting of clamorous and hungry Democrats. In the vast number that will be thus substituted, it is palpably impossible to secure honesty among all. He thinks very properly that Mr. HAYES will only seek to remove the worthless element, but will retain the good, and hence that we are far more likely to have reform under his Presidency than under that of TILDEN. The Republican candidate for the Vice Presidency, too, will be more reliable for Reform, in the event of his succeeding to the office, than will HENDRICKS. His views are clear and pertinent, and are unassailable in their logic.

WE take the liberty, once again, to call the attention of the *Post* to the silliness of a line of policy to which it seems wedded. It is that of misrepresenting its political opponents, and of misstating the attitude of its cotemporaries, particularly where political capital is, as it thinks, to be made. We expressed our doubts as to the wisdom of passing the soldiers' bounty bill, at a time when the finances of the country are so heavily strained. To this, the *Post* replies as follows: "This is what all the Radical organs say. They are always howling through platforms and from the stump about remembering and rewarding the soldiers, but when it comes to something practical, they go back on their professions. This from the GAZETTE is a fair specimen of Radical hypocrisy toward the boys in blue." It so happens that the soldiers' bounty bill is not a partisan measure, nor did we refer to it in that light. It is simply a question of ability to meet the demand it will create. If we are not able at the present to pay this money, it is dishonest to attempt to do it. If the slur of the *Post* means anything, it is that we should favor the outlay of from $20,000,000 to $50,000,000 in bounties. Does the *Post* favor this? If so, what of all its demands for economy? If not, why should we favor what it and ourselves both think to be improper at the present time? We try, in the discussion of non-partisan matters, to keep partisanship out of our minds, and think only of the well being of the entire country. And where we discuss partisan issues, we seek to tell the truth, as we understand it. We would not even insinuate an untruth, knowingly, against the Democratic party or its candidates. Yet the *Post* employs these insinuations, some of which are inexpressibly mean and contemptible, as its constant stock in trade. "*All* radical organs" do *not* say what we do on this soldiers' bounty bill. They simply do not say anything about it. The Republican party does not "howl" through its platforms at all, and does not go back on its promises. If the *Post* would see it, such extravagances weaken it, even as a party organ; and the Republican press of this city would prefer to see it strong, a foeman worthy their steel.

CLOSING THE BELKNAP CASE.

THE important closing incidents of the BELKNAP trial, aside from the decision of the Senate, yet to be made, were the speeches of CARPENTER and Manager LORD. It is quite generally conceded that Mr. CARPENTER'S argument was more comprehensive and able than that of Judge BLACK, although the latter maintained his great reputation by the ability of his address. CARPENTER not only made a powerful and logical argument, but he was dignified in manner, and avoided the playful allusions which frequently characterize his less important addresses. This argument takes rank with the best and greatest ever made in the country, and will give fame to its author. Manager LORD, in closing for the prosecution, fell greatly below the expectations indulged in by his friends, as did Judge HOAR, in his speech on the same side. His many inaccuracies of statement occasioned frequent interruptions, but one grossly incorrect affirmation of his passed unchallenged. It was with reference to the change in the law relative to the appointment of post traderships. Mr. LORD affirmed that "the defendant in this action was the first to suggest this change of the law." He further affirms that the law "was changed by a bill which originated in this Senate, on the motion of a Senator who then and there stated that he acted at the request of the Secretary of War." This proves to be entirely erroneous as to fact. The post trader clause was inserted in the House Army Appropriation bill, and passed without any reference to the Secretary of War. It then went to the Senate, where Senators HENRY WILSON and THAYER advocated it. Senator THAYER stated in his advocacy of the bill that he had submitted the bill to the Secretary of War and officers of the army, and that they favored it. WILSON based his support on the fact that the bill would centralize authority and benefit the army. Thus the bill did not originate in the Senate, was not suggested by Secretary BELKNAP, and really was an old law, temporarily suspended, but then rehabilitated.

The feeling is prevalent that a case has not been made out, and it is rumored that attempts will be made to convict on political grounds. That is, pressure is brought to bear on Republican Senators to convict, to avoid the declaration that he was released because he was a Republican. We do not imagine that this will come to much. The Senate is sitting, in this case, as a judicial body, and politics have no more to do with the judgment to be rendered than in any case that comes before an ordinary jury. Political parties are never benefited by their representatives straining a point to punish some one for the benefit of the party. Indeed, to do this, is to assume questionable authority, and is far more likely to react injuriously than to benefit, in the long run. Clamor may blind the judgment of the American people for a time, but not permanently. Sooner or later the facts come to light, and our people believe more in justice and right, than in expediency. Whatever the evidence shows is right. If it convicts of the charges made, the verdict should be so recorded. If it does not convict, the record should so speak. *Right*, not expediency; justice, not vengeance, should rule the hour.

SILVER.

Two or three very imporant measures are before Congress, and, while they cannot be acted on this session, they will serve to awaken discussion as to the propriety of making legal tenders of silver dollars. THURLOW WEED, in an eastern journal, recalls the fact that when our national bonds were sold, silver was a legal tender, and he argues from this that to make it a legal tender again carries with it no dishonesty whatever. Indeed, the strange fact is, that silver was a legal tender till 1873, and the repeal of the law so constituting it was not largely known at the time. So to make silver a legal tender again, and to pay our bonds with it, is not a dishonest or dishonorable act, in itself, as the bonds, when bought, at a discount from their face, were payable in coin, which included silver as well as gold. Of the several propositions before Congress, one is that of Mr. KELLY, of this State, simply providing for the recoinage of silver, and making it a legal tender. Another bill, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, provides that coin notes shall be issued from the mint for all deposits of silver or gold. This is a modified form of the same idea as that of Mr. KELLY. There is evidently a very decided feeling favor of coining silver, and of making it a legal tender.

The objection to it arises from the depreciation of silver, as a marketable commodity. But this was caused, in part by the demonetizing of silver in 1873, and the inference is, that to monetize it again, will be to appreciate its value. Another method of adapting the dollar to the market value of silver, is to increase the amount in the trade dollar. The silver dollar has thus been changed once. In 1792 the silver dollar was made the unit of Federal money, and was to weigh 416 grains, of 89½-100 fineness, the smaller coins all in proportion. This remained unchanged until 1837, when the French standard of fineness, 900-1000, was adopted for all the gold and silver coins; the weight of the silver dollar was then changed to 412½ grains, and the lesser silver coins in proportion. In 1853, gold and silver being then both legal-tenders for any amount, the relations of the two metals stood about 15 1-2 to 1, and our silver coin was in the proportion of 16 to 1, and was worth more as bullion for export than it was for coin. Congress then, by act February 21, 1853, fixed the weight of silver half-dollar, reducing it 206¼ grains to 192 grains, and the smaller coins in proportion. The mint ceased coining for individuals, and the profit on the coinage was received by the Government. It then made this fractional silver coin a legal-tender only to the amount of $5. The silver dollar was, at the value of silver at that time, worth as bullion over 7 per cent. more than two half-dollars. But, the coinage of the dollar, for obvious reasons, ceased.

Thus for over eighty years, the silver dollar weighed 412½ grains, which was a legal tender for all amounts. There was no special reason for demonetizing it in 1873, but as soon as it was done the piece of silver began to decline, because its use in one form was gone. Since then Germany has practically demonetized it, and this caused a still further decline. It naturally follows that if brought into larger use, the price will appreciate once more. Already the President has signed the bill directing the coinage of $50,000,000, for current purposes, and it is believed the country will absorb $30,000,000 in silver besides. This alone would exert an appreciable effect on the market value of silver. Of course we do not seek to pay our bonds in any form that would have about it the slightest structure of dishonor or dishonesty.

AFFAIRS OF STATE.

THE "old original striped back" potato bug has made its appearance in Greene county.

THE safe in Olmes & Snik's meat market, Altoona, was broken open by burglars Wednesday evening and over $200 and some valuable papers stolen.

THE Waynesburg *Republican* says that the wheat, rye and oats crop is heavier in that county this year than was ever known before, and that it has all been safely gathered.

SAWYERS at work on the farm of Henry Jacobs, Esq., a few miles south of Waynesburg, last week, found in the heart of a large log, cut from a tree supposed to be fifty years old, a live ant an inch and a half long, the wood all around it, excepting the little domicile of two or three inches in length, and a little larger than its body in circumference, in which it lived, moved and had its being, being perfectly sound, with no trace of ingress or outgress.

A WAYNE county farmer undertook to start a span of balky horses hitched to a load of hay by kindling a fire under them. When the heat became too intense for endurance the horses moved forward just far enough to escape the fire and then stopped, leaving the load in the position they had occupied when the fire was kindled. Result: A load of hay entirely consumed, the wood work of the wagon destroyed, harness ruined, and horses somewhat scorched, but just as mulish as ever.

A CENTENNIAL flag-pole was erected at Punxsutawney, on the first inst., that is supposed to outdo anything in the State. The *Mahoning Valley Spirit*, published in that town, interprets it as follows: The first piece of the pole is 100 feet high, representing the first one hundred years of the Republic; the next piece is 76 feet high, representing the year in which Independence was declared, and the top piece is 19 feet, representing the nineteenth century. The flag which floats at the top is 24 by 38 feet.

ON THE BEACH AT NEWPORT.

An Engagement off and the Reason Therefore.

A Newport letter in the New York *Express* has the following little story: The Spouting Rock is only a short distance from the hotels or cottages—in fact, any part of the town—and being a great curiosity, is a favorite promenade, especially for lovers. Seated in a snug corner, a little beyond, the other evening, I had, free from intrusion, enjoyed a quiet smoke, and, impressed with the beauties of the moonlight on the waters, still we lingered, yet noticed, without unusual thought, a couple—a maiden fair, with a male companion, young and well-appearing—draw near and occupy seats on the rocks very near. I did suppose I was noticed by them until she, rising and walking in front of him, called my attention by saying, "Well, James, my dear, you know my proposition; and what is your reply? Pa told me if you did not do it all must soon have an end, for I must not lose my chances this season. I am really sorry, but I cannot help it. You know Pa says if you will settle upon me a small sum, so as to insure me of being well provided for, we shall soon be married, if you desire, and for the present, if you can do no more, $75,000 will be sufficient. Can you you not do it, James? Say yes, please, for Pa says no, unless you can." "I might, my darling," was the reply, "if I had time, but to do it now is impossible, utterly, impossible. I will try, but will you wait for me?" "James, Pa wished me to bring your answer to-night, and told me if it were so. I must consider all our relations henceforth at an end, and I can do no better. I love you, but I can't help it," sobbed she who was now in tears, and, rising, James put his arm around her waist and supported her towards the beach and homeward. She hails from New York, but James is a Western boy, of excellent character and business reputation, though not yet a millionaire, but in easy circumstances. They have been engaged several months, and as a result of this brief interview I overheard it is whispered in society that such an engagement is at an end. We thought it would be so.

MISS BENNETT'S TIMIDITY.

The Reason Why She Seeks Seclusion.

During the past fortnight the retirement of Miss Jeanette Bennett has been closely discussed with a view of learning whether it could be explained by any special disappointment. There is, however, not the slightest probability of this character. The fact is that of the two children of the once famous editor, the son bears a strong resemblance to his mother, and the daughter is very much like her father. I do not refer so much to the features as to the character. It is evident that the dashing, sporting, driving, yachting proprietor of the *Herald* shows little likeness to his father, who never drove a horse, and never was on a yacht, and had no care for those active sports in which his son delights.

The Senior Bennett was a very peculiar man, and was little understood outside of his own editorial rooms. Notwithstanding the boldness of his columns, he was very timid, and was constitutionally shy of the public. He never attended any festal occasion, and never made a speech, even in reply to a toast, for he avoided all such occasions. As an editor, he kept himself in his little office. His only place of public resort was the theatre. In later years he abandoned this habit, and became a very close recluse. This was a natural tendency which his daughter has inherited. Were she forced by circumstances to battle with the world, as her father did, there can be no doubt of her success, but being left to pursue her own inclinations, she indulges her natural love of retirement. Young Bennett, however inherits from his mother a love of society.

American Officers not Paid Enough.

The prominent men in American politics are usually poor men, and to make poor men Secretaries of State, place them in the most expensive capital in the world, and pay them less than £2,000 a year, is to offer them every temptation to illicit gain. Yet this is what is done in the United States, and the President, as President, has no power to alter the system. He can instigate his own party to vote an increase of salaries, or he can even recommend such increase by message, but if he does he will be overwhelmed with obloquy. The regular American, yeoman, who does not pay his clergyman decently—we speak of the rural districts—and thinks his doctor well off with $1,200 a year, can not understand what a Secretary of State wants with twenty times as much. He feels as the English country gentleman felt in 1688—that he is taxed that a placeman may be fed, to the extent of his capacity he resents any increase in his servant's wages. If they steal, he thinks they do not steal from him.—*London Spectator.*

The Festive Morning Insect.

These fine summer mornings, just as a man is trying to get another forty winks of sleep before breakfast, affords unusual facilities for studying the habits and disposition of the common fly. The sagacity of the insect is marvelous. They never fail to find the tenderest spots on a man's face, and when found, they hold battalion drill right there, close up in column of companies, then deploy in line of battle, advance skirmishers, and throw up rifle pits, keeping up music. After this has gone on for a half hour or so, a man thinks he might as well get up and help take care of the baby.

A CABLE ANNIVERSARY.

Ten Years' Progress—Girdling the Earth.

Thursday, July 27th, was the tenth anniversary of the laying of the Atlantic cable of 1866, when, for the first time, regular telegraphic communication was established between the United States and the European continent. The cable was landed at Trinity Bay, Newfoundland, July 27th, 1866, but the cable across the Gulf of St. Lawrence being broken, the news was not received in New York until the 29th. The first announcement was brief:

"HEART'S CONTENT, July 17.—We arrived here at nine o'clock this morning. All well. Thank God, the cable is laid and is in perfect working order.

"CYRUS W. FIELD."

A retrospect of ten years shows marvelous progress. It will be remembered that in the Autumn of 1858 occurred the grand demonstration in New York when the first cable was supposed to have proved a success. The procession in which Lord Napier joined, with officers from the English cable fleet, crowded Broadway from the Battery to Crystal Palace; and the London *Times*, referring to the achievement, said: "More was done yesterday for the consolidation of our Empire than the wisdom of our statesmen, the liberality of our Legislature, or the loyalty of our colonists could ever have effected." But the triumph was short, for after working indifferently about three weeks, the Atlantic cable of 1858 gave its last throb to remain silent in its ocean grave.

Orations, banquets, medals, seemed to have been sadly misplaced and for a time the reaction from supreme exultation to profound disgust and disappointment was almost overwhelming. At last five years passed away; a new company was organized, strongly reinforced. The *Great Eastern* succeeded the less fortunate *Niagara* and *Agamemnon*. The cable was a vast improvement on the first, being two and a half times as strong, and having a central copper wire (the "nerve" along which the lightning was to run), nearly three times larger than before.

The complete success which attended this effort is already spoken of above. The same afternoon that the shore end was landed, Captain Anderson, of the "Great Eastern," and all the officers of the fleet went ashore in a body to the little church in Heart's Content, joined in a service of thanksgiving, and heard a sermon on the text, "There shall be no more sea." A few weeks later the cable of 1865 was recovered, the shore end landed in Trinity Bay, and September 7th both were in successful operation. At the present date we have six trans-Atlantic cables laid down, of which five are in operation, the cable of 1865 having broken nearly two years ago. In attempting to recover this latter £75,000 have already been expended, but we learn that efforts will be renewed the present year. All the Atlantic cables, excepting the Direct Company's, belong to the Anglo-American (the French cable to Brest having been consolidated since the year 1873), and together represent a capital of £7,000,000, while the Direct Company have in addition a capital of £1,000,000. As to the pecuniary rewards of those who have been foremost in cable enterprise, it does not appear that they are excessive, the dividends of the Anglo-American Company having averaged five per cent. per annum since the combination in 1873. The Direct Company's has as yet paid no dividend. The public have found a chief reason for satisfaction in the steady reduction of the tariff from the original enormous charge £20 for a single dispatch of twenty words or less, to the comparatively moderate rate of three shillings per word, be the message long or short.

By successive steps, the ocean telegraph has been developed into enormous proportions, until at last, with the exception of the Cape of Good Hope and Polynesia, including the Sandwich Islands, the whole civilized world is in close telegraphic connection, and practically, so far as the interchange of intelligence is concerned, there is "no more sea." Prior to 1858, when the first Atlantic cable was submerged, the longest ocean line extant was one running from Alexandria in Egypt to Tripoli and Benghazi, on the coast of Africa. Since then, to bring all sections of the globe into a single brotherhood of nations, seems to have been a leading object with capitalists, so that at the present date there are invested in various cables a sum considerably in excess of $100,000,000, principally controlled by sixteen corporations. In searching out the names of those to whom this enlightened age is indebted for past achievements, it is only fair to say that in the United States, at least that of our own citizen, Mr. Cyrus W. Field, stands pre-eminent. The next forward move must be to span the Pacific, by stretching a cable line from San Francisco to Yokohama via the Sandwich Islands. This project is estimated to require $15,000,000, exclusive of branch connections. At no distant day this object will be consummated.

THE EMPERORS' MEETING.

A Grave State Conference.

The story of the meeting of the Emperors is one which cannot be read without a strong feeling of commiseration for both those august gentlemen. It is amusing, but at the same time it is pitiful to observe their little attentions to each other—their little caresses and condolences. At a certain Bourse of a certain morning the Austrian Emperor appears at a railway station dressed as a Russian soldier. Immediately afterward the Russian Emperor comes in dressed as an Austrian soldier. They greet each other with effusion, embracing repeatedly. Then the Czar goes up to Count Andrassy and shakes hands with him cordially, while the Austrian Emperor does the same with Prince Gortschakoff. And then the two unfortunate imperial gentlemen talk privately in one carriage, while their ministers (for whom our pity would be thrown away,) put their heads together in another carriage. An hour afterward the great men part, after a most cordial farewell, and though we have no one to tell us whether the gloom of the Russian face lightened or darkened, we are told that the Austrian Emperor seemed more cheerful. Let us hope his melancholy, peace-loving, overworn brother went away more cheerful, too.

Martha Washington's Toilet Articles.

In an old country house in New Jersey, not far from Philadelphia, owned by a family who claim a remote relationship to Martha Washington, the writer recently found among other relics of the past, most carefully boarded, a memorandum of some toilet articles which George Washington sent to London for in 1759, the first year of his marriage. The following is an exact copy of his memorandum, which is curiously quaint:

1 cap, handkerchief and tucker; 3 fine lawn aprons; 2 double handkerchiefs; 2 pairs of white silk hose; 6 pairs of fine cotton hose; 4 pairs of thread hose; 1 pair of black satin hose of the smallest fives; 1 pair of white satin shoes; 1 pair of calimanco shoes; 1 fashionable hat or bonnet; 6 pairs of kid gloves; 6 pairs of mits; 6 breast knot; 1 dozen silk stay-laces; 1 black mask; 1 dozen fashionable cambric handkerchiefs; 2 pairs neat small scissors; 1 pound of sewing silk; 1 box of real minikin pins and hair-pins; 4 pieces of tape; 6 pounds of perfumed powder; 1 piece narrow white satin ribbon; 1 tuckered petticoat of a fashionable color; 1 silver tabby petticoat; two handsome breast flowers; 9 pounds of sugar candy.

So Martha used perfumed powder, breast knots, silken hose and satin shoes, like any modern lady who makes the slightest pretensions to fine dressing.

How the Ladies Deal with California Fleas.

For the first few days after I landed in Santa Barbara, I was surprised to see ladies with whom I was conversing excuse themselves every few moments to rush into an adjoining room. I was all the time suffering agonies from the bites of myriads of fleas; but I supposed the usages of polite society made it necessary for me to present a smiling front to my callers—in other words to grin and bear it until I should be alone. But I soon learned that it was the custom in this strange town, immediately upon the first warning bite, to retire pell-mell from the eye of the world, and, even in the midst of a sentence, dispose of the flea before finishing conversation.

It is astonishing what practice will enable one to do in the way of flea killing. I flatter myself I am now an adept in the science.—*Springfield Republican.*

What he Said to the Bar-keeper.

He ran his rubicund nose into the door of the saloon, says the Atlanta *Constitution*, and remarked:

"The campane cummitty hasn't bin aroun' to errange fur the boys, jist yit, I reckon?"

"Not yet!" answered the keeper.

"I 'spose old Sam Tilden hasn't knocked in the head o' that ar' barrel o' scads—yit?"

"Hardly!" was the reply.

"Yas; well ye might gimme a return check, er a kind o' cuepond, ye know, ter show that I've bin 'round ter stand by the nommynashuns!"

"O, bite it off right there!" yelled the apothecary.

"All right, then; ta-ta! But I warn ye that henceforunt I'm fa'r prey fur the inemy!" and he slid out into the streets again.

MASKED ROBBERS AT WORK.

How a Gang of Ten Operated at a Rural Residence.

A most daring burglary was perpetrated early Thursday morning at the residence of S. B. McCoy, of Waterford, a stove manufacturer of Albany. The burglars—ten in number—approached the residence from the rear, coming in a row boat up the Hudson river, which passes the yard. They effected an entrance to the house through a kitchen window. After gaining access they first entered the room occupied by Miss Daisy McCoy, in which slept a large watch dog. They threatened to shoot her if she refused to silence the dog. The lady, becoming frightened in seeing such a band of men, all masked and armed, fainted. They ransacked the room and found a gold locket. They then entered the room of Mrs. McCoy, who, becoming aware of their presence, took a dress and covered over a silver basket containing a number of family relics. The robbers entered the room, but failed to find any valuables. They then proceeded to Mr. McCoy's apartments. He was aroused from his slumber by a blow from the ringleader, and discovered that his room was filled with men armed with revolvers, which were directed towards him. They interrogated him as to the whereabouts of his money and valuables. After hesitating somewhat, he said: "Boys, I have enough shot in the house for you all, but you have the advantage of me. Lower that revolver from my head, and take what you want." They found $75 in currency in the pockets of his pantaloons. They asked for his gold watch and chain, which he was compelled to produce. One asked him where "Ed's" room was, as if acquainted with the family.

They then marched him to "Ed's" apartment. Arriving they demanded of the occupant his watch and money, which he refused to give. Mr. McCoy, his uncle, told him it was useless to show fight. Finally he submitted to the request of the trespassers, and handed over his gold watch and chain and twenty dollars in money. Leaving men to guard their prisoners, they proceeded to the servant's apartment. Finding her asleep, they made her aware of their presence by a slight thump from the butt of a pistol, and asked her to inform them where the silverware was kept, saying that in case of refusal they would kill her. She replied that all the silver was on the sideboard down stairs. Two went to the dining-room, took a tablecloth and placed all the ware they could find in it, and carried it off. In the room of the domestic they found a lot of her jewelry and a five dollar note, which they added to the spoils. The silverware, being all they could steal, completed their raid. They then proceeded to the room where Mr. McCoy was confined and made him swear that he would not alarm the people of Waterford until after nine o'clock in the morning. It being a somewhat compulsory proposition, he consented. In case of his refusal they threatened to burn down his barns and residence, and maltreat the occupants.

They departed, saying they disliked to trouble him; but being workmen out of employment they needed money. Mr. McCoy, in accordance with his promise, did not inform the police of the village until nine o'clock. Being asked why he delayed in alarming the neighborhood, he said he always kept his promises. Two masks were found near the banks of the river last night. They were made of black cambric and attached to the head with common strings. The total amount of property taken away will be nearly one thousand dollars.—*Albany Argus.*

How to Restore Flowers.

Flowers gathered in the woods often appear hopelessly wilted by the time home is reached, but re-cut the stalks and plunge them into water as hot as the hand can bear for a few minutes, then place them under a glass shade, or, for want of something better, a sheet of fine tissue paper, and they will recover so that they may easily be pressed on the following day.

—We are a keen sighted nation. Young America sees "hyar the lady," having the twinkling of an eye. Since the massacre of Little Horn, about two thousand beggar boys have made their appearance in New York, each of whom tells the same painful legend: "My fatyher got kilt under Custer."

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—The following stocks were sold last evening at Thos. F. Stewart's Real Estate and Stock sales rooms, corner Fifth avenue and Wood street:

Fourth National Bank, . . $101 00
Merchants National Bank, . . 86 00
Monongahala Navigation Co., . 52 25
Columbia Oil Company, . . . 8 12½

—It is said by an intelligent commercial journal that "imports decrease more steadily than exports increase, so that the former can be much better calculated than the latter in forecasting the future of the gold premium, because exports are made up almost exclusively of raw products, the abundance or scarcity of which depends to a very large extent upon crop conditions, that may vary with every season." This has long been the accepted commercial and economical philosophy, but it has ceased to be true in the United States to such an extent that its repetition is only a proof of how desperately old errors are adhered to. Lard is not a crop liable to failure, nor is leather, nor petroleum, nor are hides, iron, cotton fabrics, steam engines, car wheels, locomotives, rails, pork, beef, and a great variety of products we now export. The immense extent of the Republic, its variety of soils, climate and conditions of life generally combine to prevent a short crop in one section telling much upon the general result. The grasshoppers did not affect the wheat crop available for export. The potato bug failed to render potatoes scarce. The Indian wars have not affected the cattle trade. And if any crop were too short to admit of export the Republic furnishes an immense variety of other surplus products for export. If we ship less cotton or wheat, we may ship more oats, corn, butter, cheese, canned vegetables and fruits. Mercantile activity and ingenuity soon remedy all these troubles.

At the same time the exports of 1875 are larger than any year prior to 1872. A leading cause of the decline in exports is the falling off in the exportation of iron, barely one-thirds of the former years' exports of British iron and steel now being sent abroad. This has caused a great decline in the price of iron and heavy losses to the British iron masters, from whom most of the complaints emanate. At the same time there has been a decided increase in the British exports of cotton manufactures, a fact of importance for us, as it shows the ability of England to still take, as formerly, the greater part of the American cotton crop. England is also taking large amounts of breadstuffs, although not so much during last year as during the previous year. This year's English breadstuffs importation, however, will show an increase.

—Our Government bonds and other American first-class securities have risen in value at home so much more than in Europe that it has been profitable to import them, and the exchange demanding payment for the bonds thus sent home has required either the export of gold or merchandise, which will account for the fact that we have shipped both so largely while the balance of trade was in our favor. These operations, however, are complicated and fluctuating and irregular. Sometimes it is found necessary to export bonds and at other times to import them, and in the case is the same with gold. In the fiscal year ending June 30, 1876, the export of gold was less than the previous year, but still the drain carried off about all the surplus product of our mines. The return of bonds from Europe was the medium used to accomplish this. In England the discredit thrown on American securities in consequence of the suspensions and defaults is without sense or discrimination, while at home all first class bonds are in increasing value. It is, therefore, improbable that there will be much change in the situation. It is a waste of time to argue with foreign investors on the subject, and if they gradually send back their bonds for sale, the amount of American capital now unemployed is sufficient to take them all. Things have now reached such a point that unless the foreign import trade shall undergo some sudden and very remarkable recuperation, the return of the foreign debt must go on increasing in and the export of gold gradually cease.

—Utilizing silver as money is fast becoming one of the leading thoughts both in this country and in Great Britain, and it will not be allowed to rest until that has been accomplished. Some of the most widely acknowledged financial authorities are gradually coming around to the confession that there is no salvation for Great Britain commercially but in the general monetization of silver. In this country the demand for the restoration of the Federal silver dollar as the American monetary unit, the same as it was for eighty years up to 1873, is becoming more and more general, and will eventually be accomplished. Temporarily this reform has been defeated in Congress, by the bondholding and capitalist influence, but every few days the effort is revived in some one and in both the House and Senate successful, for it is what the people want. —*Philadelphia North American.*

—A fact worthy of more than a mere passing note, says the Baltimore *American*, is the extraordinary growth of the business of shipping sole leather abroad within the past few years. Scarcely a year since the German line now leaves the port of Baltimore that she does not bear as a portion of her freight shipments of that article, and several of the most prominent dealers are more or less extensively engaged in the trade. It is regularly shipped to Liverpool and other English ports, to Frankfort-on-the-Main, Berlin, Hamburg, Paris and Antwerp. Attention appears to have been first particularly attracted to it at the Vienna Exposition, where the exhibits of sole leather were specially noticed, and a Baltimore firm received a medal for the best sample of "oak-tanned." Since, the trade has increased from in value less than a million dollars to nearly ten times that sum.

—Whilst there has been as much complaint in England of depression in business as in the United States, the British trade returns do not show a serious falling off in the aggregate imports and exports of that country. British capitalists have no doubt met with severe losses since 1873, and have made but little money, but the masses do not appear, notwithstanding the complaint, to have yet suffered to any great extent. The National revenue is steadily maintained its totals, and the railways show as large traffic receipts. In imports, 1875 shows the largest aggregate of any year on record, $1,870,000,000, a total nearly twenty millions larger than 1874 and fourteen millions larger than 1873.

—Business at the Chicago banks has not been so dull for several years, and they all complain that they are not making anything. Rates of interest remain nominally unchanged, but the demand for loans from any class of borrowers that can give satisfactory collaterals or make satisfactory paper is very small.

REAL ESTATETRANSFERS.

The following transfers of real estate have been placed on file in the Recorder's office since our last report:

Andrew Fife et ux. to Caroline Bruce, April 20, 1874; 1¾ acres and 20 perches in Elizabeth township, ... $15
Jacob Doolittle et ux. to Geo. W. Boyd, November 12, 1870; lot on Main street, Robinson township, ... $15
Robert Bell to J. D. Schooley, July 14, 1872; three lots on Frank Road, Braddocks borough, ... $1,100
Alois Bucker et ux. to Jacob Brucker, March 25, 1876; lot on Eighteenth street, Ninth ward, city, ... $5,500
Improvement Building and Loan Association to Wm. Spieth, April 27, 1876; lot on Coal Hill road, Twenty-seventh ward, city, ... $460
Wm. Gilbert to John Drew, July 27, 1876; lot on Jenny Lind street, McKeesport, ... $500
R. H. Fife, Sheriff, to John Ehrler, July 15, 1876; Interest of Chas. Gyant in lot on Josephine street, Twenty-sixth ward, city, ... $25
Samuel Chadwick et ux. to W. H. Kerr, May 13, 1876; lot on Main street, Whitsburg, ... $1,400
Andrew Ackley et ux. to John Taggart, Jr.; lot in Second ward, Allegheny, ... $2,500
Robinson Bros., Brokers, No. 78 Fourth avenue, furnish the following quotations of bonds and stocks from the latest advices by telegraph:

Gold	111⅜	5-20's 1868-coupons	121⅜
U. S. 6's 1881, coup	120⅜	10-40's	115⅝
" 1865	116⅜	Currency 6's	125¾
" 1865 new	117⅜	New 5 per cents	117
5-20's 1867	119⅜	10-40's coupons	118¾

RAILWAYS.

N. Y. Cen. ral	106	Ohio & Mississippi	12¾
Erie	13⅜	Union Pacific	58
L. S.	92	Toledo & Wabash	24
C. & A.	97¾	Adams Express	110¾
St. Paul	42⅝	American Express	59½
Do. Pref	65⅝	U. S. Express	73⅝
Michigan Southern	93	W. P. Fargo & Co. Ex	84
Do. Central	42	Quicksilver	13
Northwestern Com.	40¾	Quicksilver Pref	60
Do. Pref	62	Fort Wayne	102¾
Rock Island	95¾	Hannibal & St. Jo.	11
Cleve. & Pitts	90¾	Panama	133
Pacific Mail	24⅛	Iron Mountain	15
Western Union Tel.	79		

Robinson Bros. furnish the following quotations of active stocks on the Philadelphia Stock Board.

P. R. R. (S)	52¾	Cen. Trans. (S)	46⅜
Reading (S)	44⅜	Empire do. (A)	10⅝
U. Cos. of N. J. (A)	160	A. V. R. R. 7.30 (A)	101
Oil Creek (A)	10⅜	P. C. & St. L. 7's (B)	87¼
Lehigh Valley (S)	56⅛	N. Pacific bonds (A)	—

NEW YORK, July 28, 1876.

Money closed easy at 1@2; prime mercantile paper 3@4. The customs receipts were $203,000. The Assistant Treasurer disbursed $238,000. The clearings were $13,000,000. Gold was steady at 111⅞@111⅞. The carrying rates were ½@1, and borrowing 2 to flat. Governments were steady. Railroad bonds were firm, except for Northwest consolidated, which went off to 94½, but afterwards recovered to 94¾. Stocks opened with an improved tone. The coal stocks suddenly became strong, New Jersey Central rising 4 per cent., from 62 to 66, and Delaware, Lackawanna & Western 3¾ per cent., from 94 to 97¾. This sharp upward movement had a favorable influence on the balance of the share list, which rose ¼ to 1¼ per cent. New York Central led in this advance, and rose from 105½ to 106½. Lake Shore followed with an advance from 53¾ to 53¾. Michigan Central sold up from 42½ to 43½, Western Union from 69½ to 70½, Paul common from 37 to 37½, preferred from 68½ to 69¾, Pacific Mail from 22½ to 23¼, and Northwest preferred from 62½ to 63¾. After midday the latter reacted to 62½, and St. Paul preferred to 68½. The decline in these two shares had little or no effect on the general list, although New Jersey Central went off to 64¾. Delaware & Hudson for odd lots sold at 100@c102.

At the second call the market was generally quiet and steady. Afterwards Lake Shore rose to 54¾. Towards the close the market was weak and lower, with a pressure to sell some of the leading shares. The greatest decline was in Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, which went off from 98 to 96¾, and finally recovered to 97. There was an active borrowing demand for this stock, and early in the day 4@6 per cent. per diem was paid for its use, but towards the close the rates were advanced to 4@6 per cent. There was a difference in the sales of cash and regular about the same as above noted. New Jersey Central declined from 64¾ to 64¾ and closed without recovery. There was a stampede to sell Michigan Central, and the stock declined to 41¾, and closed at 42. The fact that the reported earnings of the company show a decline instead of an increase was the ostensible reason for the late sales. There was considerable excitement just before the close, and the market was more active than for some time past. The transactions aggregated 172,000 shares, of which 5,000 were Pacific Mail, 12,000 Western Union, 20,000 St. Paul, 43,000 Lake Shore, 5,000 Ohio, 33,000 Michigan Central, 24,000 Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, and 11,000 New Jersey Central.

Governments.—United States Coupons 1881, 120¾; 5-20s '65, 115¾; do. new, 117¾; do. '67, 119¾; do. '68, 121¾; new 5s, 119¾; 10-40s, 118¾; do. coupons, 118¾; currency 6s, 126.

State Bonds.—Tennessees old, 44¾; do. new, 44; Virginia new, 27; do. old, 28; Missouri 6s, 105¾.

Stocks.—Western Union Telegraph Company, 70¾; Quicksilver, 13; do. preferred, 15; Pacific Mail, 23½; Mariposa, 6; do. preferred, 7; Adams Express, 110½; Wells, Fargo & Company's Express, 84; American Express, 59½; United States Express, 76½; New York Central, 106; Erie, 13⅝; do. preferred, 30; Harlem, 137½; do. preferred, 133; Michigan Central, 42; Panama, 33; Union Pacific, 58; Lake Shore, 53¾; Illinois Central, 92¾; Cleveland & Pittsburgh, 95; Northwestern common, 39½; do. preferred, 62¼; C. C. C. & I., 40; New Jersey Central, 65¾; Rock Island, 108; St. Paul, 37½; do. preferred, 68¾; Toledo & Wabash, 24; do. preferred, 3; Fort Wayne, 102½; Terre Haute, 106; do. preferred, 115½; Chicago & Alton, 100; do. preferred, 106; Ohio & Mississippi, 12¾; Delaware & Lackawanna, 96¾; Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph Co., 18; Missouri Pacific, 6; Atlantic & Pacific preferred, 24; Indiana Central, 3½; Burlington & Quincy, 174; Hannibal & St. Joseph, 10½; Central Pacific bonds, 108½; Union Pacific, 104½; Union Pacific land grant, 104; Union Pacific Sinking Fund, 94½.

LONDON, July 28.—The rate of discount in open market for three months bills is 1@1¼ per cent., being ¼ below the Bank of England rate. The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day was £16,000. Consols 96⅝; 5-20s of 1865, 106½; do. of '67, 109½; 10-40s, 108⅞; new 5s, 106½; New York Central, 98; Erie, 12⅝; do. preferred, 20.

PARIS, July 28.—Rentes 107f 5c.

FRANKFORT, July 28.—United States new 5s 102¼.

COMMERCIAL.

Condition of the Markets at Home and Abroad.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, July 28, 1876.

General business was very dull to-day, the inclement weather having made it worse than it would otherwise have been; the leading markets were devoid of animation and presented no new features deserving of special notice.

APPLES—The receipts have fallen off somewhat within the past few days, but the supply continues in excess of the demand and prices are no better; quotable at $@$ bbl.

BEANS—No demand, and in the absence of sales we omit prices.

BERRIES—Black-berries sold at 6@8c ₱ bucket; and Whortle-berries at 90@$1.

BUTTER—Sales of prime to choice solid packed at 18@20, with a fair demand. Common stock very dull.

CHEESE—Unchanged. Prime Ohio Factory quoted at 8c to the trade, and 9c in a jobbing way.

EGGS—Continue very dull, and we reduce our quotations to 12@13c. Several lots have been shipped east within the past day or two.

FLOUR—Market quiet, and prices unchanged. Quotations may be given as follows: Spring wheat flours, $6@6.50, the outside figure for choice Minnesota; red winters, $6.50@7; ambers, $7.25@7.50; patent process and fancy white wheat, $8.50@9.50. Rye flour, $5@5.50.

GROCERIES—Our latest advices from New York report that market more active for Coffee and prices firmer, but no advance. Sugars in steady demand, and prices firm with an advancing tendency. It is probable there will be an active business in Sugars for some weeks to come; at present refiners are nearly all sold up, and they are unwilling to sell ahead unless buyers consent to pay the prices current at time of delivery.

RICE

Carolina	6¾@7¼
Louisiana	6¼@6¾

SUGARS.

Cut Loaf	12¾a	Standard B	11⅜a
Crushed	12¾a	Standard Ex C	11⅛a
Granulated	12¾a	Ref. Yellow	9¾@10⅛
Powdered	12¾a	N. O. new crop	8¾a 9⅝
Standard A	11⅞a		

SYRUPS.

Choice	45 a70	Fair	35 a38
Prime	40 a45	Dark	25 a30

MOLASSES.

N. O. Choice	65	N. O. strictly prime	62
Fair	60	Demara	50a5

TEAS.

Young Hyson	35a0 85	Japan	40a55
Gunpowder	40a0 90	Oolong	35a55
Imperial	40a 75	Souchong	35a75

COFFEES.

Fancy Rio	23 a	R Rio (5 pkgs)	20
Low Rio	21½a22	R Rio (loose)	19 a
Good Rio	20 a21	Roasted Java	30
Old Gov Java	22		

GRAIN—There is little or nothing doing in Wheat and prices are little better than nominal; No. 1 red winter quoted at $1.12a1.15. The Chicago market is again offish. The Oat market continues weak, with a supply somewhat in excess of present wants and prices are barely maintained; 34a35c, bagged, for fair to prime Penn. and Ohio. Corn in light supply but there is very little call for it. Shelled, 57a58c, free in elevator, for mixed to prime yellow. Ear (on track) 55a57c, according to quality. Rye is quiet; quoted at 70a72c.

HAY—New crop is selling from country wagons at $10a15 according to quality and condition. The market is almost bare of old hay, either loose or baled.

MILL FEED—Bran quoted on track at $11a12; middlings and chopped feed, $18@20.

OILS—Lard oil is dull and drooping. Extra No. 1 (winter) 93a95c; No. 1, 78a80c; No. 2, 68a70c. White Miners oil, 58a60c; yellow, 75a57c. Linseed dull and unchanged at 57c for raw and 62 for boiled. Carbon continues to advance; we now quote at 14¾ alc.

POTATOES—$2.25a2.50 ₱ bbl.

PROVISIONS—We can report a very fair jobbing trade, but no change in prices. As stated in our last, winter-cured Hams, of medium weight, appear to be regarded a good property, in view of a steady demand and reduced supply.

Hams—Ex S C ₱ ℔	—	Mess Pork ₱ bbl	$21,25
Do. Canvassed	15	Short Cut do	21,25
Shoulders Ex S. C	—	Lard, prime leaf, tcs	12¼
Do. Canvassed	10¾	Lard, Ref for sum-	
B'fast Bacon S. C	—	mer use—in tres	12¾
Do. Canvassed	15¾	Do. ....¾ bbls	13¾
Dried beef Ex S. C.	—	Do. ....bkts	13¾
Do. Canvassed	13¾	Do. 5 ℔ caddies	15
Beef Tongues S. C.	—	Do. 3 ℔ do	14¾
Do. Canvassed	16¾	Do. 3 ℔ pails	15¾
Bacon Shoulders	9¾	Do. 5 ℔ do	15
Short Rib Sides	12¾	Do. 3 ℔ do	14¾
Clear Sides	12¾	Ham Sausage	—

RAGS—Steady at 3c ₱ ℔ for good country mixed.

TALLOW—Dull and inactive at 7¾a8c ₱ ℔ for country rendered, and 8¼a8¾c for choice city rendered.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

PITTSBURGH, CINCINNATI & ST. LOUIS R. R.—10 packages, H. Lyandiff; 5 bbls whisky, Leon Hellbronner; 4 do. beer, H. W. Buffam; 34 bundles leather, J. W. Morrison; 20 pkgs tobacco, R. & W. Jenkinson; 10 do, Kramer & V, 26 do, J. M Schiel; 8 cases eggs, Head, C. & Co; 1 pkg butter, 3 do eggs, Voigt, M. & Co; car logs and lumber, Hood & McC; 30 bf cks shoulders, Walker, D & Co; 1 car staves and head, C. Strutt; 1 car staves, S. B. Thompson; 6 bxs cheese, Dilworth Bro; 19 sks oats, McHenry & H; 1 car oats, S. H. Floyd & Co; 5 trees beef, R. H. Myers & Co; 40 pails tobacco, Haworth & D; 2 trees beef, F. Sellers & Co; 42 bdls b corn, Watt, L & Co; 2 car staves, S. B. Thompson; 12 bbls onions 2 kgs butter, Caskey, R & Co; 5 bbls molasses, Arbuckles & Co; 10 bxs candles, P. M. Sellers & Co.

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH R. R. Co.—1 car 1 beer, L. Leisey & Co; 1 do bran, A. Austin & Son; 1 do paper, P. Dorf & Son; 250 sx oats, J. Rose; 8 bbls apples, Keil & R; 20 do, Vangorder & S; 17 bxs cheese, Welshrod & W; 4 cases eggs, 7 bags rags, Head, C. & Co; 22 bdls r stuff, H. Rothman; 1 car hubs, Pgh, K. & R. Co; 1 car lumber, Calhoun & C; 1 do gr stone, T. Aiden; 108 o bbls, S. Thompson; 30 bbls starch, Luebbe Bro; 2 kegs a butter, M. A. Dick; 5 bxs h ware, M. E. Cochran; 3 do e do, M. W; packet 4 C to 11 kegs butter, Heal, C & Co; 26 bdls spokes, T. Hare & Bro; 7 bbls eggs 25 bxs cheese, Voigt, M & Co; 20 bbls, J. Callery & Co; 6 bbls onions, Caywood & L; 7 do brooms, J. Porterfield & Co; 1 car lime, Mills & Co; 1 do flour, T. C. Jenkins; 10 bbls whisky, F. Kaiser; 25 do, T. R. Kerr; 3 do alcohol, Henderson Bro; 30 bf bbls o meal, Shomaker & Co; 25 pkgs lard, Walker, D & Co; 37 pkgs tobacco, R. & W. Jenkinson; 1 car corn, Bennett, S & Co; 1 do, McClean; 2 do flour, D. Wallace; 1 do, Peabody, H & Co; 1 do, P. Franzman, 1 do p lead, Keystone F Co; 1 do beer, W. Ruckeisen.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY R. R. Co.—22 cars coal, sable Coal Co; 5 do iron, Geo. W. Glass; 7 do stone, Isabella Fur; 4 do, Lacy Fur; 2 do, J. Megraw; 1 do lime, W. J. Baughman; 1 do cinders, Carnegie Bros; 2 do clay, Harbison & W; 1 do, Star F. R. Co; 1 do bark, W. Flaccus & Son; 2 do ice, Chaut. Lake Ice Company; 1 car lumber, A. L. Shaffer; 1 do lumber, J. Williams; 4 cars coal, A. V. R. R. Co; 7 do, Vesta O. Wks; 10 do, Standard O. Wks; 8 do, Brilliant O. Works; 1 do acid, Pgh Acid W; 1 bx butter 1 bdl eggs, Gormley & Son; 40, T. McCourt; 2 do, W. McCallister; 1 do, F. W. Siebert; 1 do H. F. Bruggeman; 20 bxs soap, J. H. Ortman; 15 do, A. Kirkpatrick; 25 do, Haworth & Dewhurst.

ALLEGHENY STATION.—1 car lime, Holmes & Co; 1 do cooperage, J. M. Hemphill; 1 do oats, Price Bro; 2 do lumber, Hamilton, L. A. & Co; 10 bdls follies, 7 do spokes, Logan, G. & Co; 5 bxs cheese, 5 tubs butter, J. Behm; 2 do, 4 do, 4 bbls eggs, Straus & S; 8 pkgs butter eggs, Mrs. Gilbert; 2 do, J. Heck; 3 do, K. Carson; 4 do, C. Faas; 3 do, J. Miller; 2 do, C. Gerber; 20 do, H. Lenz; 3 do, J. Mimick; 2 cars b iron, S. B. Thompson; 31 bdls leather, J. Schadd; 1 do, J. C. Lappe; 1 car flour, R. Rae; 1 do, R. H. Gibson; 1 car p lead, Penn. Co; 40 bbls, A. Hollstine; 16 do, J. Weichach & Son; 1 pkg butter, F. Ulmer; 20 sks flour, Bragdon & Co.

RECEIPTS AT PITTSBURGH GRAIN ELEVATOR—1 car oats, H. J. McCracken; 1 car corn, R. Dickey.

Receipts of Blooms, Ore, Pig Metal and Scrap Iron.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY R R.

Carnegie Bros	4	J. Moorhead	1
E. T. S. Wks	10	Lacy F & O	2
Lewis O. & P	5	Wilson W. & Co	2
Total			20

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY.

W. J. Hammond	1	A. H. Childs	2
Total			12

PITTSBURGH, FT. WAYNE AND CHICAGO R. R.

Shoen'r B & Co	8	W. Clark & Co	1
Lewis O. & P	1	Lewis D. & Co	2
Isabella Fur	2	Anderson & W	1
Loomis & C	5		
Total			19

PITTSBURGH, FT. WAYNE AND CHICAGO R. R.

J. Painter & Son	2	Lindsay & McC	4
Isabella Fur	6	Mullins & L	1
E. Thompson & Wk	5		
Total			18

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, July 28, 1876.

FLOUR—Dull.

GRAIN—Wheat strong and higher; advanced 3 per cent.; No. 2 Chicago spring 89c spot; 90a90¾c August; 94¼c September; No. 3 78a78¾c; rejected 62c. Corn: demand active and prices advanced; No. 2 46c spot and September; 45¾c August; rejected 40½ a41c. Oats dull; No. 2 29¼c spot, 29¼c August; 29¾c September. Rye quiet at 55c. Barley steady and unchanged.

PROVISIONS—Pork fairly active and a shade higher; $18,50a18,60 spot; $18,65a 18,67½ September. Lard dull at $10,75 spot; $10,82½a10,85 September. Bulk meats quiet; shoulders 6¾, 9¾a10¼c.

WHISKY—Quiet and unchanged.

On Call Board wheat closed higher; 89¼c August; 93¾c September. Corn ¾c higher. Others unchanged.

New York.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Flour in fair demand and firmer; receipts 10,000 barrels; No. 2 $2,25a3; superfine west'n and State $3,35a4,20; common to good extra $4,25a4,30; good to choice $4,75a4,95; white wheat extra $5,00a7,25; extra Ohio $4,40a6,75; St. Louis $4,90a8,50. Rye flour in good demand at $4,70a5,15. Corn meal unchanged. Wheat in good demand and higher; receipts 104,000 bushels; ungraded spring 90ca$1,15; No. 1 Minnesota spring $1,13a1,15; No. 1 Milwaukee $1,15a1,17; No. 2 do. 93a97c; No. 3 do. 82a85c; No. 1 white Michigan $1,23a 1,24; No. 2 Chicago spring 90ca$1,05; No. 3 do 75a83c; winter red western 72ca$1,00. Rye dull and heavy; State 65a78c; western 70a86c; Canada in bond 75a78c. Barley nominal. Malt quiet and unsettled. Corn firmer and active business; receipts 97,000 bush; western mixed hot and warm 38a52c; do. ungraded 53a56c. Oats quiet; receipts 100,000 bush; western mixed and State 30a 44c. Hay and Hops unchanged. Groceries quiet and unchanged. Petroleum active; crude 9 3-4a9¾c; refined 17 3-4c; naphtha, city 10¾a11c. Rosin steady at $1,65a1,75. Turpentine firm at 30¾c. Eggs firm; western 15a18c. Pork: better inquiry; $19,25a 19,50. Beef unchanged. Middles quiet; long clear western 10¾c; city 10¾c. Lard dull; prime steam $11,10a11,25. Butter firm; western 12a23c. Cheese unchanged. Whisky quiet at $1,13.

Foreign.

ANTWERP, July 28.—Refined petroleum 36f.

LIVERPOOL, July 28.—Cotton firm at 5 3-16a5 1-16d; sales of 10,000 bales, including 1,000 bales for speculation and export, and 6,000 bales American. Breadstuffs firmer; receipts of wheat for three days 33,000 quarters, of which 23,000 quarters were American. California white wheat average 9s 2da9s 4d; Club 9s 6da9s 10d; red western spring, No. 2 to No. 1, 8s9¾a 2d; winter 9s4 9s 6d. Flour 21¾a23s. Peas 36s. Lard 48s 9d. Cheese 46s. Refined petroleum 13¾d; spirits 8s8½d.

Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, July 28.—Flour quiet; extra $4a6,25; Minnesota family $5a6. Wheat, prime quiet; other qualities dull; No. 1 Milwaukee $1,15a1,17; amber $1,18a1,22. Rye 60a 65c. Corn firm; yellow 58a60c; mixed 54a57c. Oats dull; white 43a45c; mixed 32a35c. Whisky: western $1,14. Provisions: western Lard: Petroleum quiet; crude 13 3-8c; refined 17¾a17 3-4c. Butter firm; New York and Bradford county extra 28a29c; firsts 22a24c; western extra 20a22c; firsts 18a19c. Cheese firm; 8a 8¼c. Eggs firm; 13a17c.

Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, July 28.—Cotton quiet and steady at 11c. Flour dull and nominal. Wheat in fair demand at $1,02@1,10. Corn firm; 44a45c. Oats dull; 30a32c. Rye dull; 58a59c. Barley quiet; 58a61c. Pork nominally $18,75. Lard dull; steam $10,72½a 10,75; kettle $12,50a13. Bulk meats quiet; shoulders 6¾c; clear rib 9¾c; clear 10c. Bacon steady at 8¼c; clear rib 10¾c; clear 13c. Whisky steady at $1,10. Butter lower.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, July 28.—Flour quiet; super $4,25; double $4,50a4,75; treble $5a 5,65. Corn steady; 56a56c. Oats quiet; Galena 44c. St. Louis 44. Cornmeal quiet; $2,65. Hay steady; prime $17; choice $22. Lard dull; jobbing tierce 12a12½c. Bulk meats shoulders 9¾c; clear rib 11¾a12c; clear 12c. Bacon steady at 8¼c; clear rib 10¾c; clear 13c. Whisky steady at $1,10. Butter lower.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, July 28.—Flour quiet; super $4,25; double $4,50a4,75; treble $5a 5,65. Corn steady; 54a56c. Oats quiet; Galena 44c. St. Louis 44. Cornmeal quiet; $2,65. Hay steady; prime $17; choice $22. Lard dull; jobbing tierce 12a12½c. Bulk meats shoulders 9¾c; clear rib 11¾a12c; clear 12c. Bacon steady at 8¼c; clear rib 10¾c; clear 13c. Whisky steady at $1,10. Butter lower.

Toledo.

TOLEDO, July 28.—Flour quiet. Wheat steady and in good demand; No. 1 white Michigan $1,19½; amber Michigan $1,06; seller August $1,04½; seller September $1,06½; No. 3 red new 86c. Corn quiet, high mixed spot 50½c; low mixed 49¾c; seller August 49¼c; no grade Lake Shore 47½c; damaged 38c. Oats dull; Michigan 33¾c.

Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, July 28.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat opened dull and unsettled; No. 1 higher at $1,08 cash and $1,09 2 9-32c; No. 3 higher. Corn less firm; No. 2 45¼a46c. Oats steady; No. 2 28c. Rye neglected; No. 1 nominal; 62½c. Barley steady; No. 2 spring, 65c.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, July 27.—Cotton steady at 11c. Flour dull; family $4,75a4; fancy $5,75 a6. Wheat dull; amber 90ca$1,02. Corn steady; 45a46c. Oats 33c. Pork $20. Bulk meats: shoulders 7¼a7¾c; clear rib 9¾a10c; clear 10¼c. Bacon 8a8¾alla11¾c. Lard dull at 14¾c. Whisky $1,10.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, July 28.—Cotton dull and nominal. Flour: only local demand. Wheat quiet at $1,22. Corn quiet at 40¾a 41c. Oats steady at 28c. Rye 49c. Whisky steady at $1,10. Pork dull at $19,50. Lard none offering. Bulk meats steady at 8, 10a 10¾c. Bacon quiet at 8¾, 10 3-4a11¾c.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, July 28.—Cotton quiet at 11c; sales 600 bales; receipts 67 bales; shipments 560 bales. Other markets quiet and unchanged.

Boston.

BOSTON, July 28.—Flour unchanged. Corn quiet; mixed and yellow 59a63c; rejected 54a56c. Oats: No. 2 white and mixed 35a42c; rejected 30a36c.

Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, July 28.—Petroleum unchanged; s. w. 110 test 15c; p. w. 150 test 17¾c.

Oswego.

OSWEGO, July 28.—Wheat dull and nominal; Milwaukee club $1,18. Corn unchanged.

Wilmington.

WILMINGTON, July 28.—Spirits Turpentine steady at 28¾c.

Live Stock.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Beeves: receipts 1,213 head, making 5,490 for four days, against 5,209 same time last week; among the offerings were some really fine cattle, including several lots of fat steers from Kentucky, but common and medium grades predominated; average scarcely up to medium; prime and extra steers scarce and firm at full prices; inferior stock had a slow sale, and market rather lame; best 2 car loads in market taken for shipment (alive) to Glasgow at 10¾c, with $1 per head added; ordinary to strictly prime native steers and oxen 8¾ to 10¾c; a few cars of Cherokee at 8a8¼c. Sheep: receipts 2,900 head, making 14,550 for four days, against 9,120 same time last week; prices lower; reported yesterday, with a moderate trade at 5¼a8¼c; lambs 4¼a5¾c. Swine: receipts 2,810 head, making 10,090 for four days, against 12,610 same time last week; none offering.

BUFFALO, July 28.—Cattle: receipts 1,513 head; total for week 11,220; no market; fresh arrivals were through consignments; 45 cars are held for shipment to-morrow, which will leave the yards in lots of stock. Sheep and lambs: receipts 600 head; total for the week 15,200; market slow; sales of only 1 car Michigan clipped to $4,35, and 1 car Ohio clipped 71 lbs at $4,50. Hogs: receipts 2,700 head; total for the week 12,700; market slow; sales of 2 cars heavy at $6,90a 7; 3 cars Yorkers at $6,60a6,75.

CHICAGO, July 28.—Cattle: receipts 3,000 head; shipments 3,200 head; quiet and prices unchanged. Hogs: receipts 10,000; shipments 5,000; fairly active; stronger and a trifle higher; light sold at $6,55a6,85; heavy $6,40a6,65; Philadelphias $6,75a6,80. Sheep: receipts 700; quiet and unchanged.

ST. LOUIS, July 28.—Hogs steady and unchanged. Cattle steady and in fair demand; prices unchanged.

CINCINNATI, July 28.—Hogs quiet; fair to good light $6,40@6,60, light $6,40@6,60.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 28.—Hogs: receipts 560; prices $6,15@6,40.

Cotton.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Cotton steady at 11¾all 15-16c; futures firm; July 11¾all 29-32c; August 11 29-32all 15-16c; September 11 23-32all 15-16c; October 11¾c; November 11 13-32 all 7-16c.

SAVANNAH, July 28.—Cotton: middlings 10¾. Stock 1,173. Week's net receipts 180 bales; gross 578 bales; sales 182; exports coastwise 81 bales.

MOBILE, July 28.—Cotton: unchanged; middlings 10¾a10¾c. Stock 4,502. Week's net receipts 330 bales; sales 1,090 bales; exports coastwise 1,053 bales.

GALVESTON, July 28.—Cotton: nominal, middlings 11c. Stock 2,571. Weekly net receipts 438 bales; gross 441 bales; sales 828 bales; exports Great Britain 415; coastwise 1,331 bales.

CHARLESTON, July 28.—Cotton: middlings 11c. Stock 2,665. Weekly net receipts 577 bales; sales 210 bales; exports coastwise 826 bales.

Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Business was moderate with package houses and quick with jobbers. Cotton goods are in steady request. Linwood bleached shirtings are reduced to 9c. Prints are fairly active. Glasgow ginghams are reduced to 9 3-4c. Repellents and Kentucky jeans are more active. Hosiery is in steady request.

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RIVER NEWS.

State of the Rivers, Movements of Steamboats, &c.

OFFICE OF OBSERVATION, SIGNAL SERVICE, U. S. ARMY.—DAILY REPORT OF THE STAGE OF WATER, WITH CHANGES IN THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT 3 P. M.

PITTSBURGH, July 28, 1876.

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HOME NEWS.

The probabilities for to-day are warmer, cloudy weather, easterly to southerly winds, and rising, followed by falling barometer.

A Horse in the Water Basin.

If Allegheny city don't soon place a fence around the water basin on Troy Hill the people over there will quit drinking the water altogether. Early yesterday morning a blind horse belonging to a man named Geyer fell into the basin and swam around in there for three or four hours, when it was discovered and pulled out. Surely the water is dirty enough without allowing the horses and dogs to bathe in it.

How Do You Do?

Well, Mrs. Smith, to tell the truth, I am not very well; have a bad cold and cough. Serves you right, Mr. Smith. Had you taken my advice and bought your shoes from Taggart, 129 Federal street, Allegheny, at the time I did, yours would not have been worn out yet. They would have kept your feet dry, and you would have saved the price of a dozen pair in medicine. Well, I will take your advice now, and go and get a pair, for everybody says Taggart sells good shoes very cheap. I will go.

BASE BALL.

Fly Catches.

The Actives of Reading challenge the Harrisburg club to a game for any sum up to $1,000, to be played any place except at Harrisburg.

The Alleghenys and Harrisburgs play at Union Park this afternoon.

ALLEGHENY CITY HOME.

Yesterday's Visit of Poor Directors and Other Invited Guests.

Yesterday the members of the Board of Directors of the Poor of Allegheny, Westmoreland, Beaver and Washington counties, the city of Pittsburgh and a number of other guests, amounting in all to about eighty persons visited the Allegheny Poor House at Claremont. After several hours spent in examining the building and grounds and disposing of an excellent dinner. Speeches were made by Dr. Reed, Mr. Montooth, Ald. Sheafer, Mr. Braun, Rev. Dr. Collier, Rev. Mr. Kirk, Dr. McCandless, E. Johnson, Esq., of Westmoreland county; Mr. McGonnigle [and others. A meeting was then organized and a series of highly complimentary resolutions passed.

THE EXPOSITION.

The Work on Floral Hall—Pictures for the Art Gallery—The Bird Man Coming, &c., &c.

The work on Floral Hall, the new addition to the Exposition building of the Pittsburg Mechanic's Industrial Institute, as stated yesterday, is progressing rapidly. The frame work will be finished to day, and the coming week the structure will have been completed. The additional space gained by the erection of this building will be equal to one-fourth of the building, and yet there will not be sufficient space to accommodate all who apply. It is the intention to make the Art Gallery a feature this year, and to that end a connoisseur in art will leave for Philadelphia the coming week for the purpose of securing some of the pictures and other works of art now on exhibition at the Centennial Exhibition in that city.

We learn by inquiring at the office of the Institute that the man with the trained birds, who attracted so much attention last year, will be at the coming Exposition with a double lot of birds, two companies of them. In fact, all the most attractive features of last year's exhibition will be there this year, with a great many new and more attractive ones.

As stated yesterday, Commodore Kountz is making arrangements for the better accommodation of travel to and from the Exposition, by laying a track on Liberty street, which will enable him to run more cars and on shorter time than could be run last year. The premium lists are being distributed, and the grounds are being let by contract for making the gold, silver, and bronze medals expects to have a number of them completed in a few days, when they will be forwarded to those to whom medals were awarded.

The managers are indefatigable in their endeavors to make the coming Exposition not only a success, but a credit to the city.

ARROGATING POWER.

Yesterday's Meeting of the Board of Health—A Night Soiler's Trick—Sanitary Inspectors Elected.

A regular meeting of the Board of Health was held yesterday, with President Slagle in the Chair.

Mr. Bernard Rafferty, by permission, made a statement in reference to a nuisance on Wylie avenue, caused by the escape from a cesspool. He desired a sewer to be put down to carry off the water, being willing to bear half the expense. The matter was referred to a sub-committee.

Capt. Crosby Gray, Health Officer, was granted leave of absence to attend the Centennial encampment of his company of the Fourteenth Regiment, at Philadelphia. Mr. John Little, Registration Clerk, was appointed Health Officer *pro tempore*.

A resolution was presented by Dr. McCord, setting forth that owing to the large mortality and for other reasons the present force of Sanitary Inspectors is overworked and inadequate to the demand, and providing, therefore, for two additional Inspectors, one for the South Side and one for the old city. He supported the resolution by stating that a large amount of garbage and filth of various kinds has accumulated on the streets and in hidden places, which should be removed immediately. The bad condition of many sewers was also mentioned. The present force of Inspectors is already overtaxed, and it is impossible without help to do all the work properly that should be done.

The resolution was amended so as to make it provide for the employment of two assistants during August and September, and in that form passed.

The Board then went into an election for two Assistant Inspectors, and Nicholas Jones was elected for the old city and W. C. McCord for the South Side. The Board had three Inspectors to the South Side and only two to the old city.

President Slagle at this point called the attention of the Board to the transactions of certain night soilers, who have been arrogating to themselves the powers of Sanitary Inspectors, in order to obtain work. He said that recently Mr. Keating, Manager at the Sable Iron Works, had received a notice purporting to have come from a Sanitary Inspector, directing him to have cleaned a privy belonging to the premises. Following is a *verbatim copy* of the notice:

NOTICE TO CLEAN CESSPOOL.
HEALTH OFFICE,
PITTSBURGH, June 16, 1876.
To Keating as Zug & Co.—

You are hereby notified to have privy cleaned situated on Pike street, No. 81, within three days from the date in accordance with the following section of the act of Assembly.

[Here was inserted the clause.]

By order of the Board of Health.

MR. LAWSON,
CROSBY GRAY, Health Officer.

Immediately after the reception of this notice a night soiler applied for the job of cleaning the vault. The notice came under the observation of President Slagle, and as there was no necessity for cleaning the pool at the time he resolved to investigate the matter. Examination revealed that the notice had not come from the Sanitary Inspector, whose name is J. J. Lawson, but had been served by Christ Morgan and George Beck, two workmen employed by Conrad Friend, whose business is that of night soiler. Mr. Keating and a watchman at the mill identified the two men who served the notice. It was further ascertained that the printed form of notice had been stolen from the office of the Board of Health, and filled up by Morgan. Either to avoid the charge of forgery, or because he did not know Mr. Lawson's initials, Morgan had signed it "Mr. Lawson," instead of "J. J. Lawson," who is a Santtary Inspector, but operates in another district.

President Slagle said he had had suspicions of such transactions on the part of several cesspool cleaners, and was now convinced that the operation had been largely practiced throughout the city.

Health Officer Gray also reported that he had become cognizant of several similar instances.

The question of bringing suit against the parties who have been caught was referred to the Solicitor of the Board. To prevent a recurrence of the imposition, the Board desires all persons who hereafter receive notices to have their cesspools cleaned, to demand from the parties upon what authority they serve the notice, and if a satisfactory explanation is not given to report the case to the Health Officer immediately.

Some further business of no public importance was transacted, after which the Board adjourned.

European Annexation.

As Americans, we may, by and by, gobble up the whole of Europe, but the special accession to which we refer at present is a slice of France, Germany, England, and Scotland, which has recently been coined by B. Schaldenbrand, No. 53 Smithfield street, in the form of some of the best suitings manufactured in these kingdoms. He has made these additions at lowest cash rates, and is therefore prepared to afford them to his patrons on the same terms.

Spectacles.

If not properly suited to the eyes, are not alone injurious, but in time are apt to destroy the sight. We advise all those using glasses to purchase them of "Korbuhn, the Optician," of whose skill in optics and knowledge of selecting the right glasses many of our prominent citizens can testify. His office is in R. S. Davis & Co.'s book store, corner Fifth avenue and Wood street.

Dreadful Havoc.

We hear much of the slaughters by Sitting Bull and his red-faced companions, but here in our midst, in the very heart of the city, is a daily slaughter of ready-made clothing, at the fashionable emporium of Eisner & Phillips, corner of Wood street and Fifth avenue. Very stylish light colored and linen suits almost given away. Great depreciation in the price of suits to order, but none in material or workmanship.

SOLDIER'S MEETING.

Second Annual Reunion of the Ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Association—Beaver County Veterans Participate—New Brighton Hospitality, etc.

The second annual reunion of the Ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Corps Association was held at New Brighton, Beaver county, yesterday, and was participated in by between four and five hundred veterans, not only of the Ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserves, but of the Eighth Reserves, Sixty-second P. V., One Hundred and Fortieth; and of other regiments organized in the western part of the State.

At 7:30 yesterday morning, notwithstanding a drenching rain was falling, the veterans of the Ninth Reserves and other regiments, to the number of over one hundred assembled at old City Hall, and proceeded by the Eighteenth Regiment Band, marched, under the command of Major Thomas H. Hunter, to the Depot of the Fort Wayne Railroad, Federal street, Allegheny, where a special train was in readiness to carry them to New Brighton. At the depot the number was increased by at least one hundred, who had been prevented from joining the column by the heavy rain, and at 8:40 the train, consisting of an engine, baggage car and four coaches, all well filled, left the depot for the place of destination, where it arrived at 9:40.

The train passed through New Brighton to Beaver Falls, where the soldiers disembarked and were received by the Veterans of Beaver county, who were drawn up in line on the platform, to the right of which was stationed a small cannon, from which a salute was fired. The visiting soldiers were soon formed in line, and, with the Eighteenth Regiment Band at the head of the column, traversed the principal streets of Beaver Falls and then crossed the bridge and marched through New Brighton to the Opera House, where a meeting was organized by calling Rev. W. G. Taylor, Superintendent of the Soldiers' Orphans School of Phillipsburg, to the chair.

Dr. Taylor after expressing his thanks to the meeting in a few brief but appropriate remarks, for the honor conferred on him, introduced Major Eberhart, of the 8th Reserves, who delivered the address of welcome to the soldiers. His remarks were exceedingly appropriate and to the point, and were highly appreciated by his hearers.

Maj. T. B. Swearingen, the President of the Association, introduced Col. Richard Realf, of the *Commercial*, who responded to the address of welcome in an able and eloquent manner. In the course of his remarks the Colonel drew a vivid picture of the battle of Mission Ridge, wonderously beautiful and extremely thrilling. He described the position of the three divisions of the army with Sherman and Hooker on the right and left and Thomas in the centre; the advance of Thomas' command over a wide plateau which was being raked by Hoods' Artillery on the hill, as well as by the rifles from the rifle pits at the base of the hill, and said that the impetus of the attack carried the advancing colum over the light breast works of the enemy at the base of the hill where there was a momentary pause, to determine whether they should go back or go on. The pause was but momentary for it was death to linger there; the men, officers, all were seized with madness, madness borne of battle, and with a determination to avenge their slain comrades started up the almost perpendicular heights, from the top of which the guns of the enemy were belching forth a shower of shot and shell; onward, upward, they went, from stone to stone, from tree to tree, onward from tree to tree, onward the colum moved over the crushed, bleeding and dying forms of their comrades in arms, never faltering, but onward and upward till the giddy height was gained, where in the cloud of battle smoke, scarcely visible for the slowlyy retreating smoke from the enemy's guns was unfurled the dear old flag, and then went up a shout along the line, which told of a victory nobly though dearly won.

The foregoing is only a rude sketch of the picture given by the speaker, whose eloquence held the audience enraptured until the close of his remarks.

The Glee club of "B" Company, Ninth regiment, consisting of Messrs. Kreps, Bachman, Boehme and Brecht, was introduced and sang the "Star Spangled Banner," which received a very emphatic and persistant *encore*, after which the meeting adjourned.

THE DINNER.

Before the assembly left the hall the chairman announced that dinner would be served at 1 o'clock in the building of the Chain Works Company, and that all soldiers present were cordially invited to go and partake of it. The invitation was responded to by at least five hundred of the old veterans, who, on reaching the street were formed in line and preceded by the band marched to the building in which the tables were spread, and were well ladened with the good things of Beaver county. In fact it was a most excellent repast—the best, the veterans said, they had ever had the pleasure of partaking under similar circumstances. There were four tables stretching the full length of the wing of the building used for the purpose, which is at least one hundred and fifty feet long, and a cooking-stove had been set up in an adjoining apartment, from which the pleasant aroma of well made coffee filled the entire building. When the multitude had secured places at the table, the divine blessing on the excellent repast was invoked by Rev. G. W. Taylor, after which all present did ample justice to the inner man, and gave evidence of the excellence of the viands by the manner in which they stowed them away; it was as the boys remarked like charging the rebel line massed in solid column, as soon as the front rank fell their places were filled and as fast as the tables was cleared the dishes were replenished so that at the end of the feast there appeared to be as much on the table as there was at the beginning. But dinners, like all other earthly things, have an end, and this was no exception to the rule; it ended, however, only when every soldier present had not only satisfied the cravings of his inner man, but all were very hungry, but when all had enough.

POST PRANDIAL.

After dinner, the soldiers returned to the Opera House where the meeting was again called to order by the chairman, who introduced Gen. Gifford, who was received by an audience with a verse of "Columbia the gem of the ocean." The Major is a very effective singer and his effort was heartily applauded.

Forbus Foster, an old fifer who had been under Gen. Scott at Lindy's Lane, was next introduced, and played several tunes on his fife, eliciting the applause from the Veterans. Mr. Foster, although 84 years of age, is yet quite an active man.

SENTIMENTS.

The following sentiments were then offered and responded to as noted:

"Our Guests," by Maj. Critchlow, who is a good speaker as well as a singer.

"The Volunteer Soldiers" was very ably responded to by Mr. W. S. Shallenberger.

"Saw My Leg Off," caused Dr. D. McKinney to tell what he know about war, and he did it very pleasantly.

Mr. Peter Wilkinson was next introduced, and varied the entertainment with an Irish song, which was most admirably rendered, so well that he was called to the front a second time.

"The March to the Sea" was responded to by Col. Richard Realf in his usual eloquent manner.

"The Penn'a Reserves: May the memory of our dead be ever sacred, and the memory of our living ever honorable. May they always hold to the right as they held the right during the dark days of the Rebellion." This sentiment was followed by Chill W. Hazzard, of Monongahela City, and was ably responded to by Col. L. B. Duff